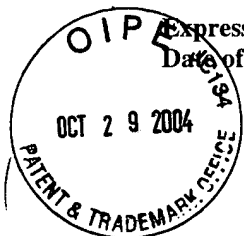


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This paper is in response to the April 29, 2004 Office Action in connection with the above-referenced application. Please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Applicant also submits concurrently herewith (1) a Petition for Extension of Time for three months, up to and including October 29, 2004, with the appropriate fee; (2) an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR §1.97 (c) (2) with fee as set forth in §1.17(p). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No. 502648, Reference No. Cura 521.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.